

Final Exam 101



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Part One: Reading Comprehension and Writing (12 points)

A. Reading Comprehension (8 points)

- **Read the following texts and answer the questions that follow.**

In the American educational system, any student may attend a free public school from kindergarten (at about age five) through twelfth grade (about age eighteen). These public schools are all coeducational; boys and girls study together in the same class.

When students are in high school, they begin to plan for college. Although many courses are required for all students, some courses are electives; students choose them.

For example, if a student wants to be prepared for college, he or she might choose to take chemistry, physics, an advanced mathematics class, or an advanced foreign language class. A student who doesn't plan to go to college might take auto mechanics, welding, or woodworking. After-school activities such as sports, drama, music, and student government are important both to students who are preparing for college and to those who aren't.

Just as there is a great variety of courses at the college level, there is also a great variety of instructors. Many instructors are quite formal; they expect to be called by their title and last name ("Professor Adams," "Ms. Thompson," "Mr. Kramer"). They stand in front of the class and give formal lectures during which students take notes. Although they don't expect students to stand up when the instructor enters the room or when answering a question, they do appear to be very serious. Other instructors are informal; they prefer to be called by their first names. They might sit on the desk and expect students to participate in discussion with them. They try to make class enjoyable and sometimes joke with students. This informality, however, doesn't mean that they are not serious about teaching. They still expect students to study, do the homework, and do well on exams.

Cheating (using another student's answer on, for example, a quiz or test) is considered to be very improper, and it is taken seriously by all instructors. A student who has cheated on an exam will probably receive an "F" and might be dismissed from school.

1. **Which title is the most suitable one for the text?**
 - a. Global Educational System.
 - b. Different Methods of Education.
 - c. **The American Educational System.**
 - d. College in the United States.

2. **Which of the following is correct?**
 - a. The preschool stage starts at the age of 6.
 - b. Not all American students are able to attend the free public school.
 - c. Just primary schools are coeducational.
 - d. **Both genders study together in the same classroom.**

3. **Complete the following sentence with the correct answer:**
“The instructors who are informal prefer: _____
 - a. to be called with their last name.”
 - b. students to stand up when they answer.”
 - c. **to tell jokes from time to time to make their class enjoyable.”**
 - d. to give a formal lecture without any interruption from students.”

4. **Which of the following is incorrect?**
 - a. If a student wants to go for college, s/he might study physics.
 - b. **All the courses in high school are obligatory.**
 - c. You don't have to study advanced mathematics if you want to go to college.
 - d. A student might study woodworking if s/he doesn't plan to go to college.

5. **What would happen when students cheat on exams?**
 - a. They might receive an ‘F’.
 - b. They may be obliged to leave school.
 - c. **They might be asked to leave school and would fail in the course.**
 - d. They would apologize for school without any punishment.

6. **The three examples of _____ mentioned in the text are “Professor”, “Ms.” and “Mr.”:**
 - a. last names
 - b. surnames
 - c. **titles**
 - d. first names

7. **What are the examples of after-school activities that students should do whether they are or aren't preparing for college?**

After-school activities such as sports, drama, music, and student government are important both to students who are preparing for college and to those who aren't.

8. Write two descriptive sentences of the formal instructor.

Many instructors are quite formal; they expect to be called by their title and last name ('Professor Adams,' 'Ms. Thompson,' 'Mr. Kramer'). They stand in front of the class and give formal lectures during which students take notes. Although they don't expect students to stand up when the instructor enters the room or when answering a question, they do appear to be very serious.

B. Writing (4 points)

- Discuss two points related to the educational system in Jordan.

Part Two: Vocabulary (8 Points)

A. Choose the correct answer. (5 Points)

1. Many scientists believe that it is not a good idea to _____ an hour before the exam.
a. obtain
b. acquire
c. revise
d. hire
2. My friend _____ to feel annoyed when I asked him questions about his personal life.
a. finished
b. planned
c. minded
d. began
3. The phenomenon, which is called _____ depopulation, can lead to overcrowding in cities as well as far fewer people in country areas.
a. rural
b. urban
c. metropolitan
d. cosmopolitan
4. It's so dangerous to cross the red _____ light.
a. ethic
b. tragic
c. headache
d. traffic

5. In the ancient period of time, people got used to live in caves. What does the underlined word mean?

- a. a large house at the top of a tree.
- b. a large cottage.
- c. a large hole in the side of a mountain or underground.
- d. a large building with towers and high walls.

B. Fill in the blanks the most suitable word. (3 Points)

mobile	chairperson	process	laboratory
Blended	Events	office	band

1. ____ **Blended** ____ learning is a mixture of online and classroom learning.'
2. My friend Amer is a member of a professional ____ **band** ____ that plays music in celebrations and festivals.
3. I think that Dr. Mohammad was the ____ **chairperson** ____ of the National Translation Conference.
4. The brain takes time to ____ **process** ____ the pictures on the satnav.
5. I am working on a chemical experiment at my ____ **laboratory** ____ right now.
6. The ____ **mobile** ____ phone is a technological invention that has become popular all over the world.

Part three: Structure (10 Points)

- **Choose the correct answer. (4 Points)**

1. There ____ a cinema and a theatre in the city center.
 - a) Has
 - b) Was
 - c) **Are**
 - d) Were
2. My birthday is ____ 1st May.
 - a) in
 - b) at
 - c) X
 - d) **on**
3. Maths and Engineering are practical subjects. ____ are very useful.
 - a) We

b) They

c) I

d) You

4. Which of the following sentences is correct?

a) I sometimes give my friends gifts.

b) They come usually on time.

c) She visits never us.

d) I celebrate never New Year.

2- Fill in the blanks the most suitable word.(6 Points)

at because are in is so

1. The people _____ **are** _____ very friendly in our town.

2. We stay _____ **at** _____ home for the whole day.

3. _____ **In** _____ Mexico, children get used to have piñatas on their birthday.

4. I'm studying English _____ **because** _____ I want to travel and work abroad.

5. I am exhausted. _____ **So** _____, I am going to sleep early.

6. Eman _____ is _____ my best friend at this university.

2- Part Two: Vocabulary: (8 Points)

1-Choose the correct answer. (4 Points)

We do plenty of experiments at our school's _____.

Library

Literary

Laboratory

Luxury

I'm not interested in _____ because I don't like studying substances and how they react or combine with each other.

Archeology

Biology

Chemistry

History

Poor people get used not to buy _____ qualities.

Cheap

Interesting

Boring

Expensive

We call the organization which sells goods or services a/an :

stadium

business

academy
department

2- Fill in the blanks the most suitable word.(3 Points)

layers take part tour jockey concentrate cottage

1. During the Muscat Festival, professional cyclists from around the world _____ in the cycling race.
2. You don't have to answer your calls because you should _____ while you are driving.
3. Tell me about your last _____ to Egypt.
4. Most traditional Jordanian wedding cakes have four or five _____ with beautiful decorations, like flowers made from sugar.

3- Part three: Structure (4 Points)

1-Choose the correct answer. (4 Points)

1. Call me back if you have any new piece of information about the burglary. Because any information _____ very important in this case.
 - a) Were
 - b) Have
 - c) Are
 - d) Is
2. I want to design computer games, _____ I'm studying IT.
 - a) So
 - b) Because
 - c) Although
 - d) But
3. My birthday is _____ May, What about you?
 - a) On
 - b) In
 - c) At
 - d) X
4. _____ there a lot of offers this month?
 - a. Had
 - b. Can
 - c. Was
 - d. Are

Good Luck!